>>> "Donald L. Sanderson" < d022@co.hillsdale.mi.us> 7/20/2006 3:49:03 PM >>> Proposed rules 2.513 (A) and (N)(3) state the court "shall" provide a copy of the instructions to the jury. I would suggest the obligation be contingent upon a request by the jury for the instructions. Jurors in the district court may not need the ready reference to the written instructions. To require the automatic reproduction of the instructions would seem to be a needless waste of county resources and time. It is not uncommon for a verdict to be returned within minutes. In such cases, the jury had no need for a written copy of the instructions.